

## Memorandum

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From:

Rick Woodard July Heath R. Woodard

Subject: CALFED Water Quality Policy Team

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program has formed a Water Quality Policy Team to help refine the Implementation Plans for the Water Quality Program actions and you are invited to participate as a member. The Water Quality Implementation Plan will define how water quality actions are prioritized, present plans for implementation, identify implementing agencies, identify existing and potential sources of funding and how the resources will be allocated. The Implementation Plan will be incorporated into the Water Quality Program Plan which is an appendix to the revised draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Report/Statement (PEIR/S).

The Water Quality Policy Team consists of CALFED regulatory and planning agencies. We are pulling together a representative group of stakeholders from the Water Quality Technical Group to provide input to this agency group. A list of the agency members of the Water Quality Policy Team and the proposed stakeholders is attached.

Also attached is a copy of the draft Water Quality Program early implementation projects for years 2000 and 2001, along with an explanation of these projects. Included in this information are cost estimates. The cost estimates are preliminary and reflect our current assessment of the funding needed for priority actions. Also attached is an excerpt from the December 1998 draft Phase II Report entitled "Water Quality Program Stage I Actions". In addition, we refer you to your copy of the February 1999 revised Draft Water Quality program Plan which supports and elaborates upon the information contained in the Revised Phase II Report. Please review these documents and provide us by April 22, 1999 your recommendations on priority actions, how best to implement the actions and by what agency, information on sources of funding, any additions, deletions, or changes you believe necessary.

CALFED Agencies -

California

The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Bureau of Reclamation U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Department of Commerce National Marine Fisheries Service

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We are asking you to assist us and the Water Quality Policy Team in making substantive decisions on components of the Water Quality Program implementation plan. In doing so you would be asked to generally represent the views of the members of the WQTG. You are invited to a meeting of the Water Quality Policy Team on April 30, 1999.

We hope you will consider participating in these important functions. Please send your responses on the invitation and on the documents to Judy Heath:

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## Attachments

- 1. List of Water Quality Policy Team members (potential stakeholders)
- 2. Water Quality Early Implementation Actions (years 2000/2001)
- 3. Stage 1 Water Quality Actions (first seven years after the ROD)